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a<sup>1</sup> This application is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/966,765, filed September 28, 2001, entitled "SURGICAL TREATMENT FOR ATRIAL FIBRILLATION USING RADIOFREQUENCY TECHNOLOGY," and U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/966,813, filed September 28, 2001, entitled "TRANSMURAL ABLATION TOOL AND METHOD."